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Latimer, Becky**To:**
Subject:

2019-281-S

Dear Dan Wagner,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

- Docket No. 2019-281-S - Application of Palmetto Utilities, Incorporated for Adjustment (Increase) of Rates and Charges, Terms and Conditions, for Sewer Service Provided to Customers in Its Richland and Kershaw County Service Areas

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According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

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If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,
Becky Latimer

Latimer, Becky

From: Dan Wagner
Sent: Thursday, January 9, 2020 10:19 PM
To: PSC_Contact
Subject: [External] Letter of protest for Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

This letter is written in the strongest terms to protest the proposed rate increase by Palmetto Utilities for sewer service.

Palmetto Utilities has raised rates many times while not providing any additional services. The rate increases far outstrip the rate of inflation.

Most recently, Palmetto Utilities requested rate increase was scaled back a small amount by the PSC; however with their current request they are attempting to add back the part that was denied.

We rate payers need relief from these constant increases. If Palmetto Utilities cannot make a fair profit by running their business efficiently, the rate payer should not be blamed.

Open up the utility to competition and rates will go down!

Please deny Palmetto Utilities request in full and begin an investigation into their business dealings. No doubt you will discover that they are profiteering!

Thanks You!

Dan Wagner

Columbia SC